

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1 (Currently Amended): A liquid action substance battery, comprising:

a battery can, comprising a bottom surface comprising an inner face and an outer face;

an annularly shaped metal plate;

an alkaline metal or its alloy as a negative pole action substance; and

an oxyhalide in a liquid state at normal temperature as a positive pole action

substance,

wherein the negative pole action substance and the positive pole action substance are stored and sealed in the battery, which is a bottomed battery, and

wherein the annularly shaped metal ~~[[place]]~~ plate mounted to the inner face at the bottom surface of the battery can is preformed so as to have a protrusion in a center part of the annularly shaped metal plate, and thereby form a partial space between the annularly shaped metal plate and the bottom surface of the battery can.

Claims 2-3 (Cancelled).

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): A liquid action substance battery, comprising:

a battery can, comprising a bottom surface comprising an inner face and an outer face;

an annularly shaped metal plate;

an alkaline metal or its alloy as a negative pole action substance; and

an oxyhalide in a liquid state at normal temperature as a positive pole action

substance,

wherein the negative pole action substance and the positive pole action substance are stored and sealed in the battery, which is a bottomed battery, and

wherein the bottom surface of the battery can is preformed so as to have a protrusion, and thereby form a partial space between the annularly shaped metal plate mounted to the inner face of the bottom surface at a bottom part of the battery can and the bottom surface of the battery can.